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R. E. Wood
President

February 24, 1937.

Hon. M. S. Eccles, Chairman,
Board of Governors of the Federal
Reserve System,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Governor Eccles:

I have just returned from
a trip to the Pacific Coast and find on my desk
a letter from Mr. Oswald T. Falk of London, a
copy of which I am taking the liberty of sending
to you.

I consider Mr. Falk one of
the brightest minds in England. He was in the
British Treasury but resigned in 1925 when Montague
Norman forced them back on the gold standard. He
is now the head of a firm of investment bankers.

Very truly yours,



copy.

O. T. FALK & COMPANY, LTD.
10, Old Jewry
London, E. C. 2

16th February, 1937.

General Robert E. Wood,
Messrs. Sears, Roebuck and Co.,
Executive Offices,
Chicago, U.S.A.

Dear General Wood:

Many thanks for the letters which I have received from you in the course of the last two or three days, and for the copy of the address by Governor Eccles of your Federal Reserve System. I have read this with great interest, on account of its discussion of the problem of the capital inflow into the United States. As you may remember, when you were over here last, I stated my personal conviction that complete freedom of capital movements is incompatible with the maintenance of foreign exchange stability, which appears to be an objective of your and other Governments. It looks today as though your Government will take the lead in setting up obstacles to the free movement of capital, and though it will be harmful development from the point of view of my personal business, I shall certainly welcome it from the point of view of the welfare of the public as a whole.

Yours sincerely,

(signed) Oswald T. Falk.